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SECURITY INFORMATION

NIS COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 139
14 October 1952

1. The following were present:

Dr. Appleton	State
Mr. Clinton	State
Lt. Col. Pack	Army
Col. Kirgis	Navy
Lt. Jones	Navy
Lt. Col. Rush	Air Force
25X6A [redacted]	Air Force
	CIA (Vice-Chairman)

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2. NIS Style Standardization

The Vice-Chairman requested Committee consideration of the following proposal regarding standardization of style with reference to spelling, compounding, and abbreviation of English words in NIS:

- a. The latest edition of the GPO style Manual (with any interim amendments) will govern for all items covered by the Manual.
- b. Where there is no Manual coverage, Webster's Unabridged Dictionary will govern.
- c. Where neither the Manual nor Webster covers, D/B/CIA will prescribe.

25X6A The Committee members approved this proposal, and agreed to take the necessary steps to insure that producers observe these rules.

3. Change in NIS Areas 29 and 31

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- a. Comparatively few Sections for NIS 29 and 31 have been

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published to date. Revisions necessitated by the changes can be easily effected under the maintenance program.

b. A revision of the base map for NIS 31 is scheduled for publication in FY 1953, and it is felt that the revised version should reflect the new name and boundary of this area.

The Committee approved this proposal.

4. Dissemination of Chapter IX to B.G.N.

The Vice-Chairman informed the members of a request from the Board on Geographic Names that the Chapter IX studies (Map and Chart Appraisal) be made available to them. B.G.N. desires these studies for use in connection with their work on name editing of NIS. Inasmuch as B.G.N. is already cleared from a security standpoint to receive and name edit NIS material in manuscript form, the Committee approved the request and authorized dissemination of the Chapter IX studies to B.G.N.

5. SEC Coordination Responsibility for Chapter VII

The Committee discussed the report of the ad hoc Committee which was set up to survey existing arrangements relating to the production of scientific and technical intelligence. The recommendations contained in this report are incorporated in DCI Directive 3/4, Production of Scientific and Technical Intelligence, dated 14 August 1952. This directive establishes a new Committee, designated as the Scientific Estimates Committee, which supplants the Scientific Intelligence Committee. It further reconstitutes the Joint Atomic Energy Intelligence Committee as a permanent inter-departmental committee with the same structure and functions as before. The SEC is composed of representatives of the Joint Staff and the IAC agencies, and it is charged with the responsibility for integrating scientific and technical intelligence for the production of national intelligence, for stimulating and guiding inter-agency liaison and such working level conferences as may be appropriate, and for coordinating the production of Chapter VII of the NIS.

The directive recommends that the SEC concentrate on the integration of intelligence opinion (other than that for which the JAEIC is responsible) as and when required for the purposes of national intelligence, and only incidentally assist in the coordination of production of intelligence in the scientific and technical fields. The Central Intelligence Agency is required to provide a secretariat for the SEC, and the Office of Scientific Intelligence, CIA, will serve in that capacity, and perform the coordinating and integrating functions for the SEC.

With reference to NIS Chapter VII (Scientific) specific allocation of production responsibility for all

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of this Chapter in accordance with the provisions of DCID 3/4. Such allocations will be decided at the next meeting of the SEC, which is scheduled for 16 October 1952. The allocations agreed upon by the SEC will then be forwarded to the NIS Committee for approval. Implementation of these allocations will be handled through the individual NIS Committee members who will convey notice of the allocations to the responsible components within their own agencies.

It is expected that production responsibility for each Section of NIS Chapter VII will be allocated to one of the IAC agencies, and it will be the responsibility of that one agency to integrate all contributions required of other agencies for that particular Section. The integrated Section will then be submitted to CIA/OSI for integration in the Chapter as a whole. Under this procedure each published Section will carry the running head of the agency responsible for integrating contributions to the Section, and a separate credit line will show the agencies making such contributions. All final drafts of NIS Chapter VII material will be submitted by OSI to the SEC for approval prior to submission to D/B:CIA for editing and publication.

The Vice-Chairman informed the members that the change in coordination and production responsibilities for NIS Chapter VII would require changes in the Standard Instructions for the NIS. He stated that this was not an immediate requirement, however, since all of the IAC agencies and their producing components concerned with scientific intelligence would be apprised of the changes by the secretariat of the SEC and the NIS Committee. He stated further that present indications are that no changes will be made at this time in the NIS Outline Guide which prescribes the coverage and treatment of the scientific topics in the Chapter VII Sections and Sub-sections.

6. Production of Chapter VII on NIS 39 (China)

The Vice-Chairman referred to the question raised by the Air Force member regarding the desirability of producing Chapter VII on NIS 39 (China) in FY 1953. (Refer to paragraph 3, NIS Committee Meeting No. 138, 16 September 1952) He stated that he had obtained opinions of some of the producers and coordinators of Chapter VII elements and, in general, they favored production in this year. However, the matter will be presented to the SEC, and further NIS Committee action will be postponed pending receipt of SEC views.

7. Return of Mail Sacks to CIA

The Vice-Chairman informed the members that failure of the agencies to return mail sacks to CIA has resulted in delays in the delivery of subsequently published elements. In order to correct this situation, he requested the members to instruct personnel of their mail rooms that following deliveries of published NIS mail sacks should be returned promptly to CIA.

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8. NIS Production

The Vice-Chairman stated that September production reached 94% of the numerical commitment for the month. He said that, to date, no Sections scheduled for October have been received in D/B, and it would, therefore, require special effort for the balance of the month to reach the October production goal of 43 Sections.

9. Signal Corps changes in the Outline Guide for Section 64I

The Army member reported on the proposed changes agreed upon between the contributor and the coordinator in the NIS Outline Guide for Section 64I (Telecommunications signal and lighting equipment). (Refer to paragraph 11, NIS Committee Meeting No. 138, 16 September 1952) The Vice-Chairman undertook to examine the proposed changes and inform the Committee of the D/B position regarding them at the next meeting.

10. User Reaction to the NIS Program

The Vice-Chairman reported on the progress being made in the consolidation of the lists of questions submitted by the agencies in connection with the proposed survey of user reaction to the NIS Program. The Committee members will have an opportunity to examine this consolidated questionnaire at a later date.

11. JCS Priority List

In accordance with his agreement, the Vice-Chairman informed the members that he had submitted a request for a reexamination by the Joint Chiefs of the JCS Priority List.

12. Psychological Warfare Unit Requirements

In response to the request of the Vice-Chairman, the State member reported, informally, on the status of the survey now underway with respect to possible expansion of the NIS Outline Guide for Chapters IV, V, VI, and VIII to meet specific requirements of Psychological Warfare activities. (Refer to paragraph 5, NIS Committee Meeting No. 132, 27 May 52, and paragraph 7, NIS Committee Meeting No. 133, 10 June 52).

13. The next meeting of the Committee will be held at the call of the Vice-Chairman.

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